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## **ILLINOIS RACING BOARD**

### MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Tuesday, January 31, 2012, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 10:00 a.m. in room 9-040, 100 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois. The following Board members were present: Chairman William Berry, Commissioners Patricia Beauvais, Kathy Byrne, Angelo Ciambrone, Michael LaPidus, Allan Monat, Benjamin Reyes, Paul Smith and Roger Whalen. Staff members Katherine Laurent, Bob Lang, and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

# **ORGANIZATION LICENSEE REQUESTS**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve Balmoral Park's request for approval of Gregory Smith as Director of Security. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote. Gregory Smith appeared on behalf of Balmoral Park.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve Balmoral Park and Maywood Park's request for approval of Randy Olech as an officer. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote. Randy Olech appeared on behalf of Balmoral Park and Maywood Park.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve Fairmount Park's racing officials for 2012. Commissioner Byrne seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Beauvais moved to approve Arlington Park's 2012 stakes schedule conditioned upon funding of the \$400,000 St. Leger Stake using purse recapture monies received by Arlington Park or funding through outside sponsorship. The motion died to a lack of a second. Commissioner Ciambrone moved to approve Arlington Park's request for approval of its 2012 stakes schedule. Commissioner Byrne seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 8-1. Commissioner Beauvais voted against the motion. Tony Petrillo appeared on behalf of Arlington Park. Michael Campbell, Glen Berman and Chris Block appeared on behalf of the Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association.

Chairman Berry moved to table rulemaking to amend Part 435, Inter-Track Wagering Facilities, with an amendment that written submissions must be received by Board staff by March 6, 2012. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The motion failed by a vote of 5 to 4. Commissioners Beauvais, Ciambrone, LaPidus, Smith and Whalen voted against the motion. Sean Wood appeared on behalf of Arlington Park.

#### **BOARD ITEMS**

Commissioner Monat moved to approve the initiation of rulemaking to amend Part 206, Board Meetings. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Beauvais moved to certify the following purse recapture amounts authorized under Section 26(g)(13) of the Act: Arlington Park - \$4,819,175; Balmoral Park - \$1,988,097; Fairmount Park Thoroughbred - \$1,700,238; Fairmount Park Colt Fund - \$51,541; Hawthorne Race Course - \$2,425,971; and Maywood Park - \$2,737,980. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Monat moved to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2011 Board meeting. Commissioner Byrne seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

### **ADJOURMENT**

At 11:55 a.m., Commissioner Smith motioned for adjournment. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Executive Director**